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Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

Bid to Block Salem Township Rezoning Referendum to Be Argued Before Michigan Supreme Court

[Press release](#)

Detroit Free Press: Offer to help terror suspects should disqualify McCormack in Michigan Supreme Court race, new ad says

"A conservative legal advocacy group based in Washington D.C. began a major television advertising campaign today criticizing University of Michigan law professor and Michigan Supreme Court candidate Bridget McCormack for volunteering to provide legal representation to terror suspects held at the Guantanamo Bay detention center."

[Full story](#)

Detroit Free Press: FBI investigates Michigan Supreme Court Justice Hathaway for possible mortgage fraud

"The FBI is investigating State Supreme Court Justice Diane Hathaway over a questionable real estate deal involving a \$1.5 million waterfront home in Grosse Pointe Park, the Free Press has learned."

[Full story](#)

Note: the article also ran in the Lansing State Journal.

Also see:

The Detroit News: FBI investigating Michigan Supreme Court justice

[Full story](#)

MLive.com: Michigan Supreme Court Justice Diane Hathaway faces FBI probe over real estate moves

[Full story](#)

WXYZ-TV(7)/Detroit: EXCLUSIVE: State Supreme Court Justice Diane Hathaway under FBI investigation

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Detroit Free Press: No ruling expected until 2013 in killing of girl in Detroit police raid

"A Wayne County Circuit judge isn't expected to issue a ruling until early next year on a motion to dismiss charges against Detroit Officer Joseph Weekley, accused of fatally shooting a 7-year-old girl during a police raid in 2010."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

The Detroit News: Aiyana Jones' grandmother pickets cop's hearing

[Full story](#)

The Detroit News: Macomb County offices, courts closed on Nov. 6 (fifth article)

"Macomb County government offices and courts will be closed Nov. 6 for the general election. They also will be closed Nov. 12 for Veterans Day. Emergency services and 24/7 operations are excluded. Offices and the courts will reopen after the election on Nov. 7 and after Veterans Day on Nov. 13."

[Full story](#)

Bay City Times: Bay County District Court judge race sees Tim Kelly raise \$16,670, challenger Edward Czuprynski ends \$6,887 down

"In the race for Bay County's District Court judge seat, incumbent Timothy J. Kelly raised more money from a greater number of contributors than his opponent, Edward M. Czuprynski, who ended the reporting period more than \$6,000 in the hole."

[Full story](#)

C & G Newspapers/Warren: Revised proposal advances 41-A district court process

"The years-long process to possibly move the 41-A District Court from Shelby Township to Macomb Township took another step forward Oct. 17. Shelby Township Attorney Rob Huth said he met with Macomb Township officials, and they had several cosmetic revisions to clarify the language in a proposal to decide legacy costs if the court is to move."

[Full story](#)

Flint Journal: Editorial: Keep William H. Crawford II and Herman Marable Jr. on 68th District Court in Flint

"The 2012 race for two 68th District Court seats pits two relative newcomers against two very different incumbent judges. Both of the challengers in this race were impressive.... However, neither of these candidates successfully argued that they are ready and able to do the job better than incumbent judges William H. Crawford II and Herman Marable Jr."

[Full story](#)

Flint Journal: U.S. Supreme Court to hear case of man convicted of 1993 Flint murder

"Should a federal court time limit on new evidence prevent a case from being retried, even if the new evidence proves innocence? That's what the U.S. Supreme Court will decide after it agreed Monday to hear the case of a man convicted of a fatal 1993 Flint stabbing."

[Full story](#)

Jackson Citizen Patriot: Circuit Judge John McBain still on leave; retired Judge Edward Grant to take his place at least through November

"Jackson County Circuit Judge John McBain, who went on an unexpected paid leave Sept. 11, will not return to the bench at least through the end of November, Chief Circuit Judge Thomas Wilson said."

[Full story](#)

The Macomb Daily: Accused molester's wife, alleged cohort can visit grandchildren

"... The trial was stayed so Macomb prosecutors could appeal [Judge Matthew] Switalski's decision that prevented prosecutors from presenting the girl's testimony from a prior hearing in district court, in lieu of her live testimony. After the appeals court initially rejected it, the state Supreme Court earlier this month ordered the appeals court to hear the issue, forcing a second stay after the trial restarted. An appeals court hearing is scheduled for Nov. 9."

[Full story](#)

Michigan Radio/Ann Arbor: Stateside: Supreme Court Candidate, Bridget Mary McCormack

"Continuing our coverage of Michigan's Supreme Court race, Cynthia Canty spoke with candidate Bridget Mary McCormack. McCormack is the Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs at the University of Michigan's Law School and is also a Clinical Professor of Law."

[Full story](#)

The MiLW Blog: MCFN: Most of MSC campaign spending not reported

"Seventy-five percent of the spending on Michigan Supreme Court campaigns during the current election cycle is being done outside of Michigan's finance disclosure system, according to the Michigan Campaign Finance Network (MCFN)."

[Full story](#)

Oakland County Legal News: Judge to speak at event marking Veteran's Day

"Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Michael Warren, co-founder of Patriot Week, will be speaking in conjunction with the American House Choir to celebrate Veteran's Day. The program will be conducted at Desmond Funeral Home [, 32515 Woodward Avenue,] in Royal Oak on Saturday, Nov. 3, at 2 p.m."

[Full story](#)

Oakland County Legal News: Court conducts 33rd graduation

"On Wednesday, Oct. 17, in the Oakland County Board of Commissioners' Auditorium in Pontiac, the Oakland County Adult Treatment Court (ATC) celebrated the graduation of five participants at its 33rd graduation since its inception. Oakland County Circuit Court Judges Joan Young and Colleen O'Brien congratulated graduates Joshua H., Stephanie N., Michelle A., Robin S., and Tom B."

[Full story](#)

The Oakland Press: GUEST OPINION: Don't forget to vote for the most knowledgeable judicial candidates

Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Michael Warren writes "... There is also another set of officeholders completely overlooked by too many: judges. This year, Michigan voters will have the opportunity to vote for three Supreme Court justices, as well as a slew of judges for the court of appeals, circuit court, probate court and district court."

[Full story](#)

The Oakland Press: Former teacher under house arrest for child porn can visit parents, judge rules

"A former middle school teacher under house arrest for a child pornography possession charge will be able to visit to his parents who live near a school, a judge ruled. Judge Diane Druzinski on Monday eased the bond conditions for Vincent Battani, who is accused of having child pornographic images on his computer."

[Full story](#)

The Oakland Press: Warren City Council approves smoking ban on city-owned properties

"... By a 5-2 vote, the City Council preliminarily has approved a ban on smoking on all city-owned properties, including all parks.... [Councilman Robert] Boccomino, a nonsmoker, has spearheaded efforts to make the Civic Center campus that includes city hall, the Warren Police Department, 37th District Court and all other city-owned buildings and property smoke-free."

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